

BACKGROUND

- Research indicated a need for additional GHG emissions management planning tools, especially with regard to the initiation of carbon sequestration projects
- Developed in collaboration with a group of potential stakeholders, consisting of representatives of private industry, government, and non-governmental organizations



PRIMARY GOAL

 To assist industry, government, and nongovernmental organizations in catalyzing collaborative GHG reduction and offset projects and activities, with a focus on carbon sequestration, in a way that emphasizes voluntary actions by industry



OVERVIEW

- A web-based system that serves as a central informational resource to match potential investors with contemplated GHG reduction and offset projects
- Stimulates project development

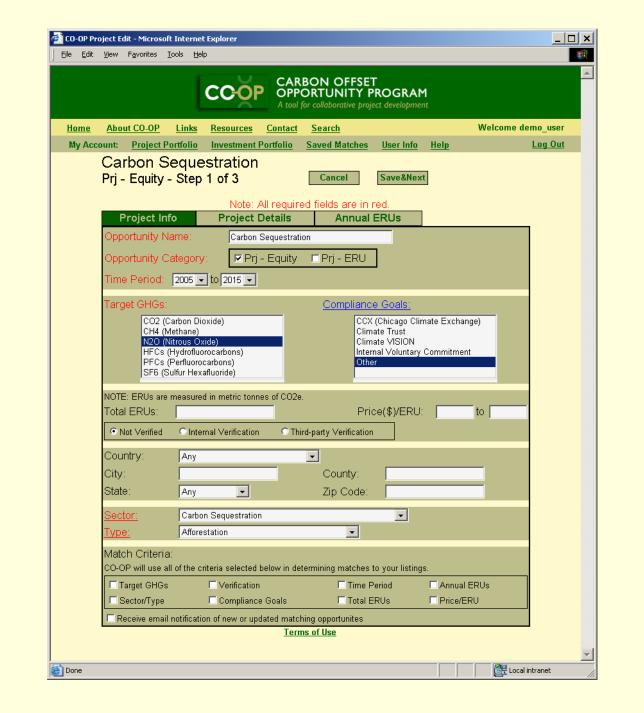


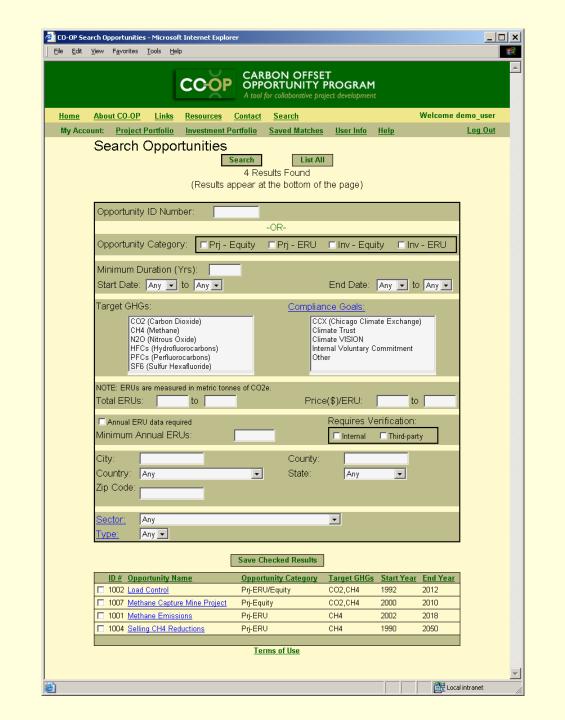
USERS

 Private industry, state government agencies, local and city governments, as well as other organizations seeking to participate in collaborative GHG offset or reduction projects









PRIMARY BENEFITS

- Facilitates collaboration among organizations interested in participating in GHG reduction and offset projects
- Promotes voluntary actions by industry and other organizations
- Provides an educational resource regarding GHG offset and reduction activities

BENEFITS TO PILOT PROGRAM

- To be at the forefront of a new, innovative national initiative with regard to GHG reduction and offset projects
- To learn more about how GHG reduction and offset projects can benefit your organization's bottom line
- To position West Virginia entities as leaders in voluntary GHG emissions management activities
- To foster a positive public perception on GHG issues



TIMELINE

- Initial version completed in January 2004
- Pilot version to be deployed initially in the State of West Virginia in summer 2004
- To be deployed on a national basis in fall 2004
- Transition from a federally sponsored initiative to a privately sponsored effort



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